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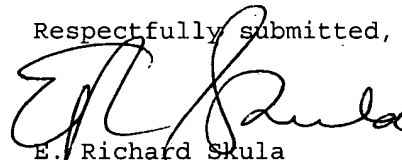
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DÉPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

. Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005 for one (1) month(s) from January 20, 2006 to February 20, 2006. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,



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